

Oilers of the North Harris County, Texas Pee Wee Football League. The LCF Oilers' head coach, Darrell Eldridge promotes discipline and commitment from his team. He continually works with his team to encourage good sportsmanship and fair play, instilling in these young boys and girls the value of athletics and achievement. The LCF Oilers dedication to advocating for individual excellence in sports, fine arts and other community-initiated programs helps challenge the community's future generations to learn the value of productivity and teamwork.

A mother of a pee wee Oiler from my district in Texas wrote to me and said, "it seems our children aren't a priority until they are a problem.". I strongly support community involvement in positive youth programs like the LCF. Oilers contribute to these kids' lives more than a few trophies. The goal of the LCF Oilers is to physically and mentally promote the betterment of these kids through physical competition—and it does exactly that.

The coaches, referees, and parents who offer these pee wee Oilers such an excellent opportunity in their young lives are to be commended for their dedication and support of the youth of our community.

HONORING CORAL SPRINGS CADET SQUADRON OF THE CIVIL AIR PATROL

HON. THEODORE E. DEUTCH

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. DEUTCH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor of the Coral Springs Cadet Squadron of the noble Civil Air Patrol, who was recently honored by the Coral Springs City Commission in commemoration of their 30th anniversary of invaluable service to the Coral Springs community.

For decades, the Civil Air Patrol has performed the overwhelming majority of domestic search and rescue missions as an auxiliary of the United States Air Force. The nonprofit organization is accredited for saving over seventy lives per year. These unpaid professionals claim a proud legacy of selfless sacrifice and service to their country and community that spans over decades. The debt we owe to these brave individuals is immeasurable, and we must always remember their service.

The Coral Springs Cadet Squadron has been serving the South Florida communities of Coral Springs, Parkland, Coconut Creek, Tamarac, and Margate for 30 years. Their ready willingness to present colors and render honors at ceremonies makes them an irreplaceable asset to these cities. Furthermore, their cadet programs inspire youth to become leaders and exemplary citizens.

I am proud to honor the Coral Springs Cadet Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol in the CONGRESSIONAL RECORD. I join the Coral Springs Commission in congratulating them on three decades of exemplary service and leadership.

IN HONOR OF THE HONORABLE
JOSEPH A. PALAIA

HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, it is my honor to commemorate the life of former New Jersey State Senator Joseph Palaia, who passed away on August 20, 2016 after a life filled with numerous professional and personal accomplishments.

Senator Palaia was a dedicated public servant. An Ocean Township resident, Senator Palaia began his political career as a township councilman and mayor, first elected to the council in 1967. After 12 years of service to the Ocean Township community, Senator Palaia moved on to serve as a Freeholder in Monmouth County. In 1982 and 1989 he was elected to the New Jersey State Assembly and Senate, respectively, representing residents of Monmouth County on the state level. An advocate for gun control and improved health and educational services for children with disabilities, Senator Palaia was a prominent member of the legislative body until his retirement in 2008.

A graduate of Rider University (then Rider College), Senator Palaia worked as a teacher and principal of the Wanamassa Elementary School in Ocean Township for 33 years prior to his government service. His passion for education and his commitment to the community and public service have been widely recognized through elections to the Rider College Hall of Fame, the Neptune High School Hall of Fame and the dedication of an Ocean Township park in his name.

Senator Palaia is remembered by his loving family, including his daughter, daughter-in-law, grandsons, sister and many other relatives and friends.

Mr. Speaker, I sincerely hope that my colleagues will join me in honoring Senator Palaia for his leadership and dedication to his community and state.

ASHLYN DARNELL

HON. JOHN SHIMKUS

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. SHIMKUS. Mr. Speaker, I rise to acknowledge Ashlyn Darnell for completing Basic Combat Training for the United States Army. Ashlyn is a Goreville, Illinois native who just turned 18 early in August, and she will be returning to Goreville to finish her senior year of high school before reporting for Advanced Individual Training.

Ashlyn was able to attend basic training thanks to the Split Training Option program, which allows high school students to complete basic training during the summer between their junior and senior years. After completing her Advanced Individual Training, Ashlyn plans to attend Southern Illinois University Edwardsville and will enter the ROTC program as she pursues a degree in nursing. Once she graduates, Ashlyn plans to enlist in active duty for the U.S. Army.

Ashlyn's sense of duty and service guided her to pursue a future in the U.S. Army. De-

spite her successful career as a two-sport high school athlete and the opportunity to play basketball for a university program, Ashlyn still seeks a career as a member of the U.S. military. She cites her desire to work for the freedoms of our country as a core factor in her decision. Ashlyn is so driven to join the military despite her youth that she even had her parents sign the consent forms that allowed her to enlist in the reserves.

I offer my congratulations to Ashlyn Darnell for her completion of Basic Combat Training, and I wish her the best of luck as she pursues a career of service with the U.S. Army.

HONORING SUSIE WILSON OF PENNSYLVANIA

HON. SCOTT PERRY

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. PERRY. Mr. Speaker, today I honor my constituent, Susie Wilson, on her retirement upon more than 10 years of service with the Pennsylvania Medical Society (PAMED).

During her tenure at PAMED, Ms. Wilson served as executive director to several specialty and county medical societies, including the Pennsylvania Society of Anesthesiologists. Ms. Wilson also has served with the American College of Veterinary Radiology, Pennsylvania Ambulatory Surgery Association, Pennsylvania Neurosurgical Society and other medical groups.

Prior to her tenure at PAMED, Ms. Wilson served with the Pennsylvania State Foster Parent Association and assisted students with learning disorders and emotional disabilities. After her retirement from PAMED, she'll resume her work with children.

Ms. Wilson's tireless dedication and professionalism touched the lives of countless people. She's left a true legacy of selfless service.

On behalf of Pennsylvania's Fourth Congressional District, with great pride I commend, congratulate and thank Susie Wilson upon her retirement after more than 10 years of service to Pennsylvania and her community.

TRIBUTE TO COLONEL DAVID WILLIAM REANEY UPON HIS RETIREMENT

HON. BRADLEY BYRNE

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Mr. BYRNE. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Colonel David "Dave" William Reaney upon his retirement as Executive Director of Feeding the Gulf Coast.

Dave was born in Iowa and grew up in California before enlisting in the Army as an intelligence analyst in 1969. After serving in Germany, he commissioned through the Officer Candidate program at Fort Benning in 1974.

He spent the next 26 years as a Military Intelligence Officer at 12 different locations throughout the United States, Europe, and Asia. He served as Chief of the Electronic Intelligence Watch, U.S. European Command in Stuttgart, Germany supporting operations following the bombing of the Beirut Marine Barracks, as well as the 1986 U.S. attack on